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TAMC honors American Indian service members

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Tripler Army Medical Center recognized National American Indian Heritage Month, Nov. 16, in the Kyser Auditorium, here.

The observance featured a hoop dancer, American Indian poetry, a video about "What it means to be Native American," and a guest speaker.

Jefferson Keel, Lieutenant Governor of the Chickasaw Nation and President of the National Congress of American Indians, was the guest speaker for the event.

"I am here to share my perspective on Native American Heritage Month and the ideals that we all share in common: service, honor and respect," said Keel. "(Native Americans) have this inherent feeling about protecting our lands and so we serve in the military at a higher ratio per capita than any other race in this country.

"Since 2001 more than 60 American Indians have died in the conflicts in Iraq and Afghanistan and more than 500 have been wounded."

Keel talked about cultural survival and hope as it pertains to Native Americans. He also took time to explain the National Congress of American Indians' purpose and history since its origination in 1944.

He said native culture has survived because of its core values.

"Service to one's country is



(Above) Christine Panther, a community member, performs a Hoop Dance at the National American Indian Heritage Month observance Nov. 16 in the Kyser Auditorium. (Below) Jefferson Keel, Lieutenant Governor of the Chickasaw Nation and President of the National Congress of American Indians, was the guest speaker for the event.

the equalizing force in this great nation of ours," said Keel. "There is no greater duty. We all believe in protecting the great opportunities that are afforded to all of us as citizens of the United States. As a native people we enjoy a dual citizenship. Many of our cultures are close knit. We all seek a more perfect union and we wake up every day to honor and protect that."

Brig. Gen. Keith Gallagher, Pacific Regional Medical Command and TAMC commander, gave closing remarks for event. He thanked Keel and the other contributors for their participation in the event.

"We are all Americans," said Gallagher. "We all come from different ethnic groups and backgrounds, yet we come



together as service members with a common bond, mission, and focus. Service, honor and respect are three great words that are embedded in our Army values."

REMINDERS:

- The Thanksgiving Meal at Anuenue
 Café is Nov. 24, 11
 a.m.-1:30 p.m.
- TAMC Chrstmas
 Tree Lighting Ceremony is scheduled for Nov. 29 at 5:30 p.m. in the Oceanside lobby.

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TeamSTEPPS is here!

Maj. Amber Pocrnich **TeamSTEPPS**

TeamSTEPPS is an evidence-based teamwork system aimed at optimizing patient outcomes by improving

> communication and other teamwork skills amongst the healthcare team. TeamSTEPPS was developed by the Department of Defense Patient Safety Program, in collaboration with the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ). The Pacific Regional Medical

Command was the third region to begin its roll-out in March. Tripler Army Medical Center is the first major medical center to fully implement the program in U.S. Army Medical Command.

TAMC TeamSTEPPS training began in March with a visit from MEDCOM's TeamSTEPPS Champions, Phyllis Toor and John Webster, who is one of the original developers of the Team-STEPPS program. Together, with TAMCs TeamSTEPPS Nurse Champion, Maj. Amber Pocrnich, they conducted a three-day TeamSTEPPS Change Team Training for 13 TAMC staff as well as three staff from Camp Zama, Japan. The change team was carefully selected and was comprised of administrative staff as well as clinical staff. Together, with Pocrnich and Maj. Taylor Sawyer, TAMC's Team-STEPPS Physician Champion, the team strategized an implementation and sustainment plan. Currently, they are in the implementation phase where they are training and implementing the program all over TAMC. Each

department has identified Champions who have/or will attend a two-day Train the Trainer Workshop where they learn the material, conduct a teach-back and coaching session and devise an implementation plan for their department. After a department is fully trained, they will begin the implementation of using the tools that comprise Team-STEPPS such as the Brief, Huddle and Debrief.

"TAMC's progress has been steady and has really picked up momentum these last few weeks," said Pocrnich. "We currently have over 90 trainers and 950 staff members who they have trained; making us a little more than 20 percent of our staff trained.

'Our goal is to be fully trained by March 2012 and fully implemented by July 2012," Pocrnich added.

Chaplain's Thought of the Week

Sherman Baker Chap. (Col.) Command Chaplain, PRMC

"Thanksgiving"

By the President of the United States of America, a Proclamation. Whereas it is the duty of all Nations to acknowledge the providence of Almighty God, to obey his will, to be grateful for his benefits, and humbly to implore his protection and favor-and whereas both Houses of Congress have by their joint Committee requested me to recommend to the People of the United States a day of public thanksgiving and prayer to be observed by acknowledging with grateful hearts the many signal favors of Almighty God especially by affording them an opportunity peaceably to establish a form of government for their safety and happiness.

Now therefore I do recommend and assign Thursday the 26th day of November next to be devoted by the People of these States to the service of that great and glorious

Being, who is the beneficent Author of all the good that was, that is, or that will be--That we may then all unite in rendering unto him our sincere and humble thanks-for his kind care and protection of the People of this Country previous to their becoming a Nation--for the signal and manifold mercies, and the favorable interpositions of his Providence which we experienced in the course and conclusion of the late war--for the great degree of tranquility, union, and plenty, which we have since enjoyed--for the peaceable and rational manner, in which we have been enabled to establish constitutions of government for our safety and happiness, and particularly the national One now lately instituted--for the civil and religious liberty with which we are blessed; and the means we have of acquiring and diffusing useful knowledge; and in general for all the great and various favors which he hath been pleased to confer upon us.

and also that we may then unite in most humbly offering our prayers and supplications to the great Lord and Ruler of Nations and beseech him to pardon our national and other transgressions -- to enable us all, whether in public or private stations, to perform our several and relative duties properly and punctually--to render our national government a blessing to all the

people, by constantly being a Government of wise, just, and constitutional laws, discreetly and faithfully executed and obeyed-to protect and guide all Sovereigns and Nations (especially such as have shown kindness unto us) and to bless them with good government, peace, and concord--To promote the knowledge and practice of true religion and virtue, and the increase of science among them and us--and generally to grant unto all Mankind such a degree of temporal prosperity as he alone knows to

Given under my hand at the City of New York the third day of October in the year of our Lord 1789.

Go: Washington

Reflection:

It is a good thing to step back from time to time and remember why we have these communal celebrations. Sacred meals are important in all cultures in all times and this is one of ours. It is a reason to gather with family and friends and share the bounty provided by a loving God. May your Thanksgiving be one of rest and good food in the company of those you love.



Chaplain ministry is available 24 hours a day. Patients desiring to see a Chaplain should call 433-5727 or ask your nurse to contact the Chaplain for you. After duty hours, a Chaplain may be contacted through the Information Desk at 433-6661. Chapels are located on D-Wing, 3rd floor.

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DPW Sewer Line Project





The installation Directorate of Public Works will be repairing a main sewer line along Krukowski Road through April 3, 2012.

This is a major line which needs to be replaced from the warehouse entrance road down to the front gate area and there will only be one-way outbound only traffic along Krukowski Road between 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Monday-Friday between the dates listed. Prior to 9 a.m. and after 3 p.m. normal traffic lanes will be open.

This line has been a problem for some time and it's repair is required to prevent a major line

American Red Cross

The Red Cross office will be volunteer-run from today until Dec. 2 in the absence of the station coordinator. Our projected office hours will be Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., but if possible, please give us a call first to assure someone will be in the office. Regular office hours will resume on Dec. 5.

Our winter break volunteer orientation will be held on Dec. 19 from 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m. in the TAMC Chapel. We will be taking a maximum of 40 participants on a first-come, first-serve basis and will not be accepting walk-ins on the day of orientation. Please call the Red Cross office to register.

The TAMC ARC office phone number is (808) 433-6631.

Flu Vaccination Schedule

Mokapu Elem Nov. 17 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Mokulele Elem Nov. 17 8 a.m.- 12 p.m. Shafter Elem Nov. 18 8-11 a.m. Pear Harbor Kai Dec. I 8 a.m.-12 p.m. Hale Kula Elem Dec. 2 8 a.m.-1 p.m.

Beneficiary Locations:

Navy Branch Clinic, Kaneohe Bay

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, 7:30-11:30 a.m., 1-3 p.m. Thursday, 7:30-11:30 a.m., 1-2 p.m.

Makalapa Clinic

Monday to Friday, 7:30 a.m.-5 p.m. 1st Saturday of each month, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Headquarters Clinic (Bldg 1750)

Monday to Friday, 7 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

TAMC Immunization Clinic

Tuesday, I-3 p.m.

Wednesday and Friday, 9-11:30

Schofield Barracks Health Clinic

Monday to Thursday, 7:30-11:30 a.m. Friday, 9011:30 a.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday, I-3p.m.

Tuesday and Thursday, I-2 p.m.

Hickam Immunization Clinic

Monday and Friday, 8-11:45 a.m., 1-4 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday, 7:30-11:45 a.m., 1-4p.m. Wednesday, 7:30-11:45 a.m., 1-2 p.m.

Closed 3rd Thursday of every month

Warrior Ohana Medical Home

Monday -Friday, 8 a.m.-noon and 1-4 p.m.



International Infection Prevention Week

Tripler Army Medical Center celebrated International Infection Prevention Week (IIPW) Oct. 16-22 with a fun learning activity about respiratory hygiene and cough etiquette. More than 200 hospital staff members, students, patients, and visitors participated, answering three true or false questions:

- I. Cleaning your hands often keeps you from spreading germs. You should wash your hands with soap and water or clean them with an alcohol-based hand cleaner. TRUE!
- 2. Because the flu is spread through coughs and sneezes, you should cough and sneeze into your upper sleeve (instead of on your hands). TRUE!
- 3. A yearly flu vaccine is the first and most important step in protecting against flu viruses. TRUE! (Courtesy Photo)



TRICARE COMMITTEE MEETING

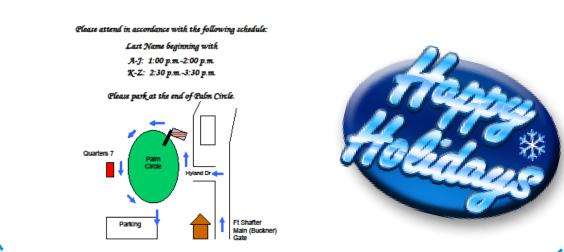
TRICARE Hawaii Regional Beneficiary Advisory Council & Healthcare Consumer Committee Meeting will be held Dec. 14. For more information, click the following link: https://einvitations.afit.edu/HCC121411/anim.cfm.

RSVP deadline is Dec. 12.

2011 HOLIDAY RECEPTION

This year's Holiday Reception is at Quarters 7, Dec. 10. Please RSVP by Dec. 7. For more information and to view the e-invitation, click on the following link:

https://einvitations.afit.edu/HolidayReception2011803/index.cfm



O'Neill assumes command of Company C

Stephanie Bryant TAMC Public Affairs

Company C, Troop Command, held a Change of Command Ceremony Nov. 18 at the Schofield Barracks Health Clinic Soldiers' Pavilion.

Capt. Daniel O'Neill relieved Capt. Victor Sorano as Company C commander.

Sorano, who has been with Company C for the last 20 months, enjoyed his time as company commander.

"For me, it has been one of the most rewarding and challenging duties I've ever done; and it will most likely be one of the

best positions I will serve in during my military career," said Sorano.

"Captain O'Neill brings to you numerous experiences from serving in Iraq to managing logistics here, he knows the clinic inside and out, and some parts even helped redesign and build," added Sorano.

O'Neill looks forward to the opportunity of commanding Company C.

"To the Soldiers of Charlie Company: You look outstanding and I look forward to working with each one of you," said O'Neill. "I have some large shoes to fill."

Col. Jacqueline Chando, Troop Command commander, was the reviewing officer for the ceremony.



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Please send submissions for the TRIPLER 360 newsletter to <u>TAMCPublicAffairsOffice@amedd.army.mil</u>. All submissions must be received by Tuesday to be included in the Wednesday edition.



NEW HOURS at the Anuenue Café



MONDAY-FRIDAY STARTING NOVEMBER 7th

Breakfast

Self Serve: 0600-0930 Grill: 0600-0815 Grab and Go: 0700-1030

Lunch

Grill: 1100-1300 Main line: 1100-1330 Self Serve: 1100-1430 Grab and Go: 1100-1300

Dinner

Main line: 1600-1730 Grab and Go: 1730-2230

Night meal: 2230-0200

SCHOFIELD BARRACKS PEDIATRIC CLINIC

Monday, Wednesday- Friday Clinic Hours: 7:00am - 5:00pm

Tuesday 8:00 am - 5:00pm Closed Daily: 12:00pm to 1:00pm

Immunization Hours:

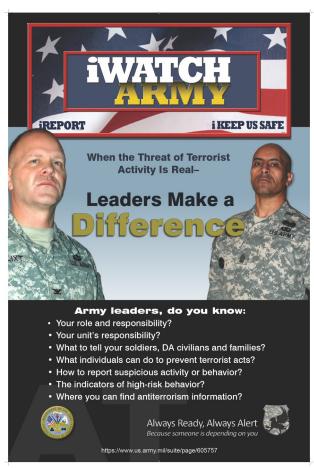
Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday- 8:00 - 11:00am, 1:30- 3:30pm



Thursdays No PPD!











December 10th 10:00am – 2:00pm TAMC Track Activities:
Pictures w/
Santa
Twister Ride
Trackless Train
Playzone
Carnival Games
Arts & Crafts
Snow

**Entrance and All activities are FREE

Coupons will be sold to purchase food/ drink items**

POC: 1SG Looper 433-1170, SFC Trudden 433-1353

Volunteer Opportunity call or email SSG Carr 433-9160 or casey.carr@amedd.army.mil



Come join our Project Armor prevention group to be empowered by learning decision making skills, cultivating your strengths, and connecting oneself to healthy, drug-free, positive activities.

Where? Schofield ASACS Office~127 Lewis Street, Bldg.647

When? Thursday's from 1:30-2:30pm (Oct.27, Nov.3,10,17, Dec.1,8,15)

Who can join? Adolescents from 6th to 8th grade

Who to contact? Ms. Sara Hill at 655-9944 or 655-5080

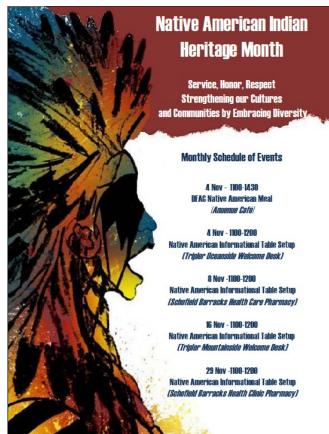
Each week's activities will include a group discussion, a group activity or team building experience, and reflection of individual successes and challenges.

To find out more about ASACS services, and/or this group, stop by our ASACS office on Schofield or call the ASACS office.

Services provided through ASACS are free, voluntary and confidential.

Hope you can come!





Hickam Family Health Clinic Active Duty Acute Care

Beginning Jan. 1, 2012 the 15th Medical Group at Joint Base Pearl Harbor Hickam will institute a new active duty appointment program, replacing the walk in system known as Sick Call.

As of Jan. 1, 2012, walk-in services will cease in the Family Health Clinic. All Active Duty Sick Call in the Family Health clinic will be by appointment only. Please call 448-6000 between hours of 7:15-8 a.m. to schedule a sick call appointment. Closure of walk-in Sick Call ensures that active duty members will no longer have to wait in the clinic to receive an appointment.

Service members who feel they are too sick to call for an appointment or feel their illness is an emergency can seek medical attention at Tripler Army Medical Center's Emergency Department.

Active Duty supervisors: Prior to having your Airmen seek medical attention, supervisors can exercise the option of allowing personnel to stay home for up to 24 hours. In accordance with AFI 41-210, Patient Administrative Functions, Paragraph 3.6.4 states that, 'Unit commanders and supervisors have the authority to grant up to 24 hours of sick status at their discretion if a member's illness/injury does not require medical treatment facility intervention. If the illness/injury persists beyond 24 hours, then the commander or supervisor must refer the member to the MTF for treatment and subsequent quarters authorization.' Some examples of non-emergent illnesses for adults are colds, cough, stomach ache, or nausea and vomiting for less than 24 hours.

The 15th Medical Group at Joint Base Pearl Harbor Hickam is committed to delivering the ultimate health care experience. Please partner with us to manage your health care needs.